

REMARKS

Applicants have carefully reviewed the office action mailed on November 11, 2008. Claims 15, 19 and 20 have been amended; claims 10-11, 13-14, 27-31, 33-36, 39-45 are cancelled, and as a results claims 1-9, 12, 15-26, 32, 37-38, 46-67 are pending in this application. No new matter has been added.

Formalities

The hyperlink found on page 12, lines 6-11 of the specification has been deleted.

Figures 1 and 2 were found to contain sequences which were not described in terms of their sequence listing in the specification. The description of the figures and the text has been amended as indicated in this response at page 2.

Claims 13, 14, 15, 19 and 20 are objected to for the reasons recited by the Examiner. The suggested modifications to the claims were adopted and do not change the scope of the claims and were not made over art cited. Namely “a heparin-binding growth factor receptor” replaces “the heparin-binding growth factor receptor” at claims 13 and 14. In claim 15, the following amendment was made “J₁ is, and[[.]] if n = 1, J₁ and J₂ is a diamine amino acid residue” to clarify the recited element. Similar amendments were made to claims 19-20.

Dobuble Patenting Rejection

The terminal disclaimer filed 9/22/2008 was not approved. Subsequently a terminal disclaimer was filed on 11/05/2008. The office has not yet acted on the Terminal Disclaimer filed 11/05/2008. Applicant requests entry of the Terminal Disclaimer filed 11/05/2008.

35 USC § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 35, and 36 have been cancelled thus rendering this rejection moot.

35 USC § 112, Written Description, Enablement Rejection

Claims 13, 14, 34, 35, and 36 have been cancelled thus rendering these rejections moot.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (505 998 6134) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4213

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